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Applicant's or agent's file reference 10527-WO	FOR FURTHER ACTION <small>see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, Item 5 below.</small>	
International application No. PCT/DK2004/000859	International filing date (day/month/year) 10/12/2004	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 10/12/2003
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1. Basis of the report
 - a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
 - The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).
 - With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.
 - b. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box II).
 - c. Unity of invention is lacking (see Box III).
4. With regard to the title,
 - the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
 - the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:
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 - a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____
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 - b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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Box No. I Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence(s) (Continuation of item 1.b of the first sheet)

1. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the International application and necessary to the claimed invention, the International search was carried out on the basis of:
 - a. type of material
 - a sequence listing
 - table(s) related to the sequence listing
 - b. format of material
 - in written format
 - in computer readable form
 - c. time of filing/furnishing
 - contained in the International application as filed
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 - furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purpose of search
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3. Additional comments:

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the International search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, BIOSIS, EMBASE, EMBL

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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